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Press Release
U.S. Embassy Welcomes Peace Agreement Between
South Sudan and SSDM/A – Cobra Faction

The U.S. Embassy welcomes the peace agreement signed on May 9, 2014 between the Government of the Republic of South Sudan and the SSDM/A – Cobra Faction. The agreement is a critical step to ending a terrible cycle of violence that has tragically impacted communities throughout Jonglei State. We are hopeful that with the leadership of both sides of this conflict committed to the agreement there will be sustainable peace in Pibor County and throughout Jonglei State.

We applaud the Government of the Republic of South Sudan and the SSDM/A – Cobra Faction for demonstrating their commitment to peace through negotiations. The successful implementation of this agreement will take the full effort of both sides, and we encourage both the South Sudanese government and the forces of David Yau Yau to exhibit the leadership necessary to see this agreement through even as challenges arise.

We appeal to the communities of Jonglei State – the youth, women, chiefs and many others – to stand together, across geographic and community lines, and deliver a common message that the people of Jonglei State stand united for peace.

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